

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: J. Roberts
HIROSHI KAJIWARA)	
	:	Art Unit: 2621
Application No.: 10/823,612)	
	:	Conf. No.: 5087
Filed: April 14, 2004)	
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For: MOVING IMAGE DECODING)	
APPARATUS, MOVING IMAGE	:	
DECODING METHOD, IMAGE)	
DECODING METHOD, AND	:	
IMAGE DECODING APPARATUS)		January 10, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO ELECTION-OF-SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2007, Applicant hereby elects Species III (drawn to Embodiment 3), on which Claims 1, 2, and 4-11 are readable, for initial prosecution on the merits.

While the Office Action identifies Figs. 7, 9, and 15 as corresponding to Embodiment 3, Applicant notes that Embodiment 3 is based on Embodiment 1, and therefore Figures 1-4, 6-9, 15, and 16 are all related to Species III.

Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application are respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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